

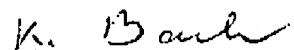
REMARKS

Claim 12 has been canceled.

Claims 1 and 7-11 stand allowed.

Issuance of the Notice of Allowance with respect to claims 1 and 7 to 11 is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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